

## Somerville Commission for Women Meeting Minutes

Date: June 20<sup>th</sup> , 2017

Location: Public Safety Building, 220 Washington St.

Meeting is called to order (Kristen Strezo)

Formal Roll Call:

Jessica Alter  
Kristen Strezo  
Katie Wallace  
Kaitlyn Dmyterko  
Kat Rutkin  
Cristina DeWeese  
Marlena Erdos  
Stephanie Goodell  
Melissa Alfone

Quorum achieved

**Motion made to approve April and May meeting minutes (Jessica Alter)**

**Seconded (Stephanie Goodell)**

**All in Favor –Aye (all)**

**Opposed-None**

**Motion Approved**

Latino Leadership Training update ( Cristina Deweese)

- Cristina attended the Latino Leadership training sponsored by the SomerViva Department. Mayor Joseph Curtatone presented as well.
- Community is interested in a positive publicity campaign. Something needs to be done to show the good work that is going on right now in the community .
- Questions arose regarding residents without Social Security numbers being able to volunteer in the public schools.

Amplify Latin X (Stephanie Goodell)

- Stephanie attended Amplify Latin X and there were good resources there. We could connect with the Latina Circle in Boston.

Summer Doodle Poll update

- We will have full quorum for the summer months (JA)

Salary negotiation workshops update

- We can offer 2 workshops
- Kristina Desir is the contact at AAUW Boston Chapter
- We need to pick a date for September and the Spring and they will provide facilitators.

**Motion made to create Salary Negotiation Task Force (KS)**

**Motion seconded (JA)**

**All in Favor -Aye (all)**

**Opposed- none**

**Motion Approved**

Commissioners interested in being on the task force- Holly Fox, Cristina DeWeese

Task forces are open to the public

(Daisy Monsalve Arrives 7:17)

**Strategy Retreat Update**

- There will be 3 standing Sub-Committees
  - Policy/Legislation
  - Outreach
  - Education

**Motion made to create 3 Standing Sub-Committees (JA)**

**Motion seconded (KS)**

**All in Favor -Aye (all)**

**Opposed- none**

**Motion Approved**

- All commissioners need to be on at least one sub committee (KS)
- Standard 1 year but there will be a check in at 6 months (JA)
- There must be monthly updates from meeting. Initial meeting must be in person. Moving forward we can meet in different ways. (KS)
- Subcommittees must meet before the next July Meeting. I will the list from the poster about focus and who will be the subcommittee members.(JA)
- Record keeping, google drive (SG)
- We could have an SCW folder and Subcommittee folders (KW)
- Stephanie Goodell will organize the folders and and put the retreat photos there (SG)

**Brief Overview of Subcommittees**

- Policy Legislation
  - Data, working towards legislative bills, liaison between SCW and BOA and SCW and School Committee
- Outreach
  - Volunteers, task force members, etc.
- Education
  - Salary Negotiation, Bystander Training

**Subcommittee Enrollment**

**Policy Legislation**

- **Kristen Strezo**
- **Kat Rutkin**
- **Cristina DeWeese**
- **Sumayya Essack**
- **Katie Wallace**
- **Daisy Monsalve**

**Outreach**

- **Jessica Alter**
- **Kaitlyn Dmyterko**

- **Cristina DeWeese**
  - **Stephanie Goodell**
- Education**
- **Melissa Alfone**
  - **Cristina DeWeese**
  - **Holly Fox**
  - **Marlena Erdos**

**Next steps**

- Photos of posters will be in the Google drive
- Committees will set up a time to meet and elect a head

**Organizational Task Force**

- Will be responsible for events checklist, calendar, etc. and maintain the Google drive

**Motion made to create Organizational Task Force (JA)**

**Motion seconded (MA)**

**All in Favor -Aye (all)**

**Opposed- none**

**Motion Approved**

Commissioners interested in being on the task force- Melissa Alfone and Katie Wallace  
Task forces are open to the public

**Break into sub-committees to establish meeting times and reconvene at 7:55 for guest speaker Representative Christine Barber**

**Guest Speaker Representative Christine Barber Discussion**

**Late Agenda Items**

- Tuesday August 1<sup>st</sup> is National Night Out we will address this at our July meeting.

**Motion made to adjourn (JA)**

**Motion seconded (SG)**

**All in Favor -Aye (all)**

**Opposed- none**

**Motion Approved**